

KENTUCKY BOARD OF LICENSED DIABETES EDUCATORS

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Per recommendations from the Legislative Research Commission and comments from diabetes educators during public hearings, House Bill 366 was created and subsequently enacted by the 2013 General Assembly. HB 366 can be found at the following link: http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/13RS/HB366.htm

The following bullets are a brief summary of language in HB 366 which affects diabetes educator licensure. Please go to the link for HB 366 to read the entire legislation.

- Establishment of an "Apprentice Diabetes educator"
 - This permit allows the apprentice diabetes educator to practice and earn the demonstrable experience required for a diabetes educator license application.
- Establishment of a "Master Licensed Diabetes Educator"
 - This is a licensed diabetes educator who has completed the credentialing program of the National Certification Board for Diabetes Educators or the American Association of Diabetes Educators as a Certified Diabetes Educator (CDE) or a Board Certified Advanced Diabetes Manager (BC-ADM).
- The legislation no longer names a specific course which shall be completed prior to applying for a diabetes educator license, but states a "board-approved course in diabetes education". (This allows creation of courses developed and provided in-state as approved by the KBLDE.)
- May 1, 2014 is now the date for those who are not currently credentialed as a CDE or BC-ADM, but are practicing as diabetes educators, to apply for licensure without obtaining additional supervised practice experience.

